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FRONT FOR NATIONAL LIBERATION OF

BURUNDI (FROLINA)'S LETTER TO THE ARUSHA PEACE ACCORD (U)

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SUMMARY: (U) FRONT FOR NATIONAL LIBERATION OF BURUNDI (FROLINA) SEES LITTLE HOPE FOR THE BURUNDI PEACE PROCESS. ENCLOSURE.

TEXT: 1. (U) THE FOLLOWING IS A LETTER PROVIDED TO A DIPLOMAT ATTENDING THE ARUSHA ACCORDS ON 20011001. THE LETTER IS THREE PAGES IN LENGTH AND WRITTEN IN ENGLISH. IN THE LEFT-HAND CORNER IS WRITTEN, "FROLINA PALIPEHUTU. CONTACT ADDRESSES - TEL. 255 744 295724 OR 255 744 316809. REF. NO. CL-FP-002-2001." THE LETTER IS ADDRESSED TO, "HIS EXCELLENCY, MR. PRESIDENT NELSON MANDELA, MEDIATOR TO BURUNDI PEACE PROCESS. PRETORIA."

2. (U) SALUTATION IS AS FOLLOWS, "EXCELLENCY, MR. PRESIDENT, RE. REQUEST FOR POSTPONEMENT OF THE INSTALLATION OF TRANSITIONAL GOVERNMENT SCHEDULED ON 1ST NOVEMBER 2001 DUE TO THE IMPOSSIBILITY OF FORMATION AND TRAINING OF SPECIAL PROTECTION UNIT FOR THE INSTITUTIONS BEFORE ABOVE MENTIONED DATE. EXCELLENCY MR. THE MEDIATOR."

3. (U) BEGIN TEXT -- SINCE 23RD JULY 2001 FOLLOWING THE RESOLUTION OF THE 15TH SUMMIT OF HEADS OF STATE OF THE REGION ON BURUNDI THAT THE 1ST NOVEMBER 2001 SHOULD BE OFFICIAL START OF TRANSITIONAL GOVERNMENT, WE DO NOTICE THAT THE PREREQUISITE CONDITION WHICH IS THE FORMATION AND TRAINING OF SPECIAL PROTECTION UNIT FOR THE TRANSITIONAL INSTITUTIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH ITEM EIGHT (VIII) OF THE CONDITIONS SIGNED BY MAJOR PIERRE ((BUYOYA)) ON 23RD JULY 2001.

4. (U) PARAGRAPH TWO READS - IN YOUR MESSAGE ADDRESSED TO BURUNDI PEOPLE AFTER 15TH SUMMIT OF HEADS OF STATE OF THE REGION ON BURUNDI, YOUR EXCELLENCY HAS RECOGNIZED ITS IMPORTANCE IN THESE TERMS -- "UNFORTUNATELY, DUE TO SECURITY REASONS, THIS PERIOD WON'T START IMMEDIATELY, BUT ON FIRST NOVEMBER 2001, AND THIS FOR GOOD REASON. AS YOU KNOW, MOST OF BURUNDI (SP-BURUNDI) POLITICAL LEADERS ARE IN EXILE, THEY CANNOT RETURN IN BURUNDI UNLESS THEIR SECURITY GUARANTEE IS ASSURED. UNFORTUNATELY, THESE LEADERS DO NOT THINK THAT THE ACTUAL SECURITY ORGANS, BE IT THE BURUNDI

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ARMY OR POLICE CAN GUARANTEE THIS SECURITY. FOR THIS REASON A NEUTRAL ORGAN IS NEEDED.

5. (U) PARAGRAPH THREE READS - THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY AND THE REGION RECOGNIZE THE WELL FOUNDED OF THIS DEMAND. ALSO, DURING THEIR MEETING ON 23RD JULY 2001, POLITICAL LEADERS OF THE REGION HAVE DECIDED TO ESTABLISH A CREDIBLE SPECIAL PROTECTION UNIT SUFFICIENTLY IMPORTANT TO ASSURE THE REQUIRED PROTECTION.

6. (U) PARAGRAPH FOUR READS - THE DATE OF NOVEMBER 2001 HAS BEEN RETAINED BECAUSE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF SUCH A FORCE WILL TAKE A CERTAIN TIME. EVERYTHING WILL BE DONE IN ORDER TO IMPLEMENT IT WITHIN THE TIME LIMIT. POLITICAL LEADERS OF THE REGION HAVE ALSO DECIDED TO INVITE UNO AND INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY TO SEND TROOPS IN BURUNDI IN ORDER TO REINFORCE SECURITY. THESE TROOPS WILL BE DEPLOYED IN BURUNDI TO ASSIST AND NOT AS FORCE FOR OCCUPYING. I INVITE BURUNDIANS TO RESERVE TO THEM A WARM WELCOME AND TO COOPERATE WITH THEM.

7. (U) PARAGRAPH FIVE READS - EXCELLENCY MR. THE MEDIATOR, FIFTY NINE DAYS AFTER, FROLINA AND PALIPEHUTU NOTICE WITH REGRET THAT SO FAR NO ACTION IS BEING UNDERTAKEN FOR THE RAPID FORMATION OF THIS UNIT IN ORDER TO CONFORM TO THE SCHEDULE OF ITS ESTABLISHMENT AS DETERMINED BY THE 4TH SESSION OF THE IMPLEMENTATION MONITORING COMMITTEE (IMC) HELD IN ARUSHA FROM 14TH TO 20TH AUGUST 2001.

8. (U) PARAGRAPH SIX READS - WE DO NOTICE ALSO THAT THE MIXT (SP-MIXED) COMMISSION CONSISTING OF THE REPRESENTATIVES OF ARMED PARTIES SIGNATORIES TO THE AGREEMENT (FROLINA, PALIPEHUTU, CNDD AND THE GOVERNMENT) HAS NOT YET BEEN ESTABLISHED SO AS TO TECHNICALLY STUDY THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THIS UNIT, ESPECIALLY -- DESIGNATION OF RESPONSIBLE PERSON FOR THIS OPERATION, PLACE OF FORMATION AND LOGISTICS WHEREAS ONLY FORTY ONE DAYS REMAIN BEFORE 1ST NOVEMBER 2001. CONSEQUENTLY, THE DATE OF 1ST NOVEMBER 2001 SHOULD BE POSTPONED UNTIL DEPLOYMENT OF THIS SPECIAL PROTECTION UNIT FOR TRANSITIONAL INSTITUTIONS.

9. (U) PARAGRAPH SEVEN READS - EXCELLENCY, MR. THE MEDIATOR, THE MOST IMPORTANT AND URGENT FOR US IS NOT TO HAVE A NEW GOVERNMENT ON 1ST NOVEMBER 2001, BECAUSE PEOPLE OF BURUNDI HAS KNOWN SO MANY WHICH HAVE NEVER SPARED HIM THE MISFORTUNES THAT HE HAS BEEN FACING SINCE INDEPENDANCE (SP-INDEPENDENCE) TILL TO DATE. OUR FIRST CONCERN IS TO HAVE SUFFICIENT SECURITY FOR THE NATIONAL UNION GOVERNMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARUSHA PEACE AND RECONCILIATION AGREEMENT FOR BURUNDI.

10. (U) PARAGRAPH EIGHT READS - PEOPLE OF BURUNDI STILL RECALL THE NIGHT OF 21ST OCTOBER 1993, THE SORROWFUL MEMORY OF DECAPITATION OF INSTITUTIONS DEMOCRATICALLY ELECTED, AFTER A SEMBLANCE OF PEACE ASSURED BY THE PRESMNT ARMY INJORDERTO +

NIGHT OF 27-28 AUGUST 2000 AIM AT PROLONGING AND REINFORCING PARTNERSHIP GOVERNMENT IN DETRIMENT OF ARUSHA PEACE AND RECONCILIATION AGREEMENT FOR BURUNDI.

12. (U) PARAGRAPH TEN READS - IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARUSHA PEACE AND RECONCILIATION AGREEMENT FOR BURUNDI, ESPECIALLY IN ARTICLE EIGHT PROTOCOL FIVE -- IN ITEM EIGHT OF THE CONDITIONS SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT PIERRE BUYOYA ON 23RD JULY 2001 -- THE JOINT COMMUNIQUE OF 15TH SUMMIT OF HEADS OF STATE OF THE REGION AND THE DECLARATION OF THE CHAIRMAN OF IMC DURING THE 4TH SESSION HELD IN ARUSHA ON 14TH - 20TH AUGUST 2001, THE COMBATANTS OF FROLINA AND PALIPEHUTU ARE IN THE STATE OF MAXIMUM ALERT TO TAKE PART IN THE FORMATION AND TRAINING OF SPECIAL PROTECTION UNITS FOR THE TRANSITIONAL INSTITUTIONS.

13. (U) PARAGRAPH ELEVEN READS - EXCELLENCY, MR. THE MEDIATOR, WE HAVE THE HONOUR (SPHONOR) TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO EXHORT YOU TO DO EVERYTHING SO AS TO START WITH THE FORMATION AND TRAINING OF SPECIAL PROTECTION UNIT AND WE DO KINDLY REQUEST YOU TO EXERCISE YOUR POWER TO FIX ANOTHER DATE FOR THE INSTALLATION OF TRANSITIONAL GOVERNMENT IN TAKING INTO ACCOUNT NECESSARY TIME FOR THE FORMATION, TRAINING, AND DEPLOYMENT OF SPECIAL PROTECTION UNIT FOR THE INSTITUTIONS." END TEXT.

14. (U) THE CLOSING READS - PLEASE ACCEPT, YOUR EXCELLENCY MR. THE MEDIATOR, THE ASSURANCE OF OUR HIGHEST CONSIDERATION.

15. (U) THE DOCUMENT IS SIGNED, "FOR FROLINA, JOSEPH ((KARUMBA)), CHAIRMAN -- FOR PALIPEHUTU, DR. ((KARATASI)) ETIENNE, CHAIRMAN, P.O. ((SEZOYA NGABO)) ANTOINE, 1ST VICE-CHAIRMAN."

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